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The Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences affirmed the rejections against independent claim 1 and dependent claims 5, 9, 10, 12, 14, 17, 20, 23, and 29-31. The examiner withdrew the rejection to claim 28 dependent from claim 1. There are no allowed claims in the application. The independent claim 1 and the dependent claims 5, 9, 10, 12, 14, 17, 20, 23, and 29-31 need to be cancelled by the applicants or other appropriate action needs to be taken. Applicants are given a ONE MONTH TIME PERIOD from the mailing date of this letter in which to present the dependent claim 28 in independent form to avoid ABANDONMENT of the application. NO EXTENSIONS OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) WILL BE GRANTED. Prosecution is otherwise closed.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ernesto Garcia whose telephone number is 571-272-7083. The examiner can normally be reached from 9:30AM-6:00PM. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Daniel P. Stodola can be reached at 571-272-7087.

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